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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Proposed Changes to Section IV of the Virginia State Technical Guide

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), U.S. Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed changes in the Virginia NRCS State Technical Guide for review and comment.

SUMMARY: It has been determined by the NRCS State Conservationist for Virginia that changes must be made in the NRCS State Technical Guide specifically in the following practice standards: Nutrient Management (590) and Feed Management (592). These practices will be used to plan and install conservation practices.

DATES: Comments will be received for a 30-day period commencing with this date of publication.

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Copies of the practice standards will be made available upon written request to the address shown above or on the Virginia NRCS website:

http://www.va.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/draftstandards.html

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that revisions made after enactment of the law to

NRCS State technical guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of

the law shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days, the

NRCS in Virginia will receive comments relative to the proposed changes. Following that

period, a determination will be made by the NRCS in Virginia regarding disposition of those

comments and a final determination of change will be made to the subject standards.

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